

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

Public Utilities Commission

Minutes of Open Meeting Held on October 25, 2001

Attendees: Chairman Elia Germani, Commissioner Kate Racine, Commissioner Brenda Gaynor, Steve Frias, Cindy Wilson, Alan Nault, Douglas Hartley and Luly Massaro.

Chairman Germani called the open meeting to order at 10:00 AM in the first floor hearing room of the Public Utilities Commission. A quorum was present.

Minutes of Open Meetings: Commissioner Racine moved to approve the Minutes of Open Meeting held on October 2, 2001. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gaynor and unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

Competitive Local Exchange Carriers (CLECs):

3036 - CTC Communications Corp.

3019 - OneStar Long Distance Inc.

2791 - Net2000 Communications, Inc. (filings received on 10/3 & 10/15)

2621 - MCI WorldCom Communications, Inc. (filings received on 10/1 & 10/22)

2789 - Network Plus, Inc.

2535 - Cox RI Telcom

The above CLECs filed tariff revisions. After review, the Commission followed the Division's recommendation that the tariff filings be allowed to go into effect without suspension.

Competitive Switchless Resellers (CSRs):

2262(E16) - TalkNow, Inc.

The above CSR registered to operate in RI. The Division has reviewed the registration and recommends approval. After review, Commissioner Racine moved to approve the registration. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gaynor and unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

2262(C3) - Excel Telecommunications, Inc.

2262(A6) - Southwestern Bell Communications Services, Inc.

The above CSRs filed tariff revisions. After review, the Commission followed the Division's recommendation that the tariff filings be allowed to go into effect without suspension.

2262(F15) - Pac-West Telecomm, Inc.

The above CSR ceased operations in RI and requested that its authorization to operate be cancelled. After review, Commissioner Racine moved to cancel and rescind the company's authorization to operate. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gaynor and unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

Interexchange Carriers (IXCs):

3396 - AT&T Communications of New England, Inc.

3394 - AT&T Communications of New England, Inc.

3389 - AT&T Communications of New England, Inc.

The above IXC filed revisions to its existing tariffs. After review, the Commission followed the Division's recommendation that the tariff filings be allowed to go into effect without suspension.

Verizon RI Interconnection Agreements (ICAs):

3386 - ICA entered w/ Access Point, Inc.

3385 - ICA entered w/ New Access Communications LLC

3384 - ICA entered w/ DSCI Corporation

2849 - Amendment to ICA entered w/ PaeTec Communications

The above ICAs were submitted for approval. The Division has reviewed filings and recommends approval. After review, Commissioner Gaynor moved to approve the ICAs. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Racine and unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

3388 - Verizon - Rhode Island: The Company submitted a tariff filing to memorialize in tariff format the standard installation interval for DS1 & DS3 links currently offered by Verizon throughout New England. The Division recommends suspension pending completion of its review. Commissioner Racine moved to suspend the tariff filing. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gaynor and unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

3387 - Verizon - Rhode Island: The Company submitted a tariff filing in compliance with the FCC's Fourth Report & Order in the matter of deployment of Wireline Services Offering Advanced Telecommunications Capability. The Division recommends suspension pending completion of its review. Commissioner Racine moved to suspend the tariff filing. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gaynor and unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

3390 - Prudence Island Utilities Corp.: The Company filed new rates to generate additional operating revenues in the amount of \$49,462.00 or 42.8% for effect November 1, 2001. Suspension is recommended pending investigation and hearing. Commissioner Racine moved to suspend the proposed tariffs. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gaynor and unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

Gas Marketers:

2379(P1) - Northeast Energy Partners, LLC

The above gas marketer registered to operate in Rhode Island. The Division has reviewed the registration and recommends approval. After review, Commissioner Racine

moved to approve the registration. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gaynor and unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

Commissioner Racine commended Narragansett Electric Co. and Mr. Al Contente of the Division for their prompt response and resolution to a consumer complaint made by Mr. Robert Blanchard of North Smithfield.

Commissioner Racine also expressed her gratitude and admiration to Commission Counsel Wilson for her diligence and effort in handling the process in Dkt. 1725. Commissioner Gaynor and Germani echoed her sentiment.

There being no further business to discuss, the open meeting adjourned at 10:15 A.M.